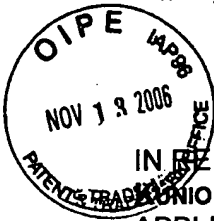


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Sir:

Applicants respond to the Final Office Action mailed August 08, 2006. Please consider the following remarks.

Amendments to the Claims, if any, are reflected in the listing of claims, which begin on page 2 of this Response.

Remarks/Arguments to the Final Office Action begin on page 4 of this Response.